

Col. H. L. Taylor has gone to Topeka.

The vane of the steeple of the M. E. church has again blown off.

The city schools are moving along successfully and very smoothly.

Dr. C. C. Furley was appointed County Physician vice Dr. Allen resigned.

The Kansas Farmer comes to us greatly improved typographically and otherwise.

Don't forget to register, and that soon if you would vote on the railroad proposition.

Wichita A. F. & A. M. hold special meeting next Monday night, for work in third degree.

Capt. White went to Topeka to take a hand in setting up a democratic administration in Kansas.

A democratic inauguration in a prohibition State must have proved a unique demonstration.

J. F. Curtis has returned from Illinois feeling very much depressed over the death of his mother.

M. Southwick returned Friday last week from Iowa, where he has taken his wife for medical treatment.

John Carpenter and George Byers have been appointed by the commissioners to examine the County Treasury.

Frank Wondery has gone to Texas, having received a very advantageous offer with transportation expenses thrown in.

Senator Sloss and Representatives E. B. Allen and Col. John Russell are all in their places at the State House.

J. Carothers will sell his personal property, stock, farm, implements, etc., at his farm three miles southeast of the city on the 23rd inst.

Mr. Reed, owing to his health, was compelled to stop doing business for a time, at least, is the reason for his dissolving with Mr. Fuller.

The few men are as happy and busy as a farmer in June cutting a field of wheat, machine measure.

Miss Sarah Rosenfeld, who has been visiting friends and relatives in Illinois for several months, arrived home safely last Friday looking charmingly well.

Mr. Mark Oliver, formerly of this city, but now engaged in a large and successful lumber business at Decatur, Illinois, is making his brothers here a visit.

Col. M. Stewart goes to Cedar Rapids, Iowa, next week to attend the meeting of the Polish Club Association. Before returning he will visit his brother in Illinois.

R. O. Deming, formerly of this city, but now of Oswego, a young gentleman possessing more than ordinary business qualifications, spent a couple of days in the city last week.

Quite a number of boys, including Charly Smyth, Frank Dale, O. B. Stocker and other live democrats, went to Topeka to participate in the games and festivities of the inauguration ball and coronation.

Col. Joseph had hardly got out of his public responsibility, before he was contacted with another in the shape of "one more mouth to feed." But we guess he will weather it through with the new boy.

The members of the old band, and which, by the way, seems to be a very common name, than any other organization in the city, presented their leader, Mr. Fred Schattner, with a fine silver cornet on New Year's.

Attention is directed to the statement of the financial condition of the State Bank, published in this issue. It is a solid institution, and its officers gentlemen who command the confidence and respect of our business men.

Rev. T. W. Woodrow (Universalist) will preach in the Central Methodist church next Saturday evening at 7:15 o'clock, and Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, and evening at usual hour of service. A cordial invitation to all.

There will be a caucus at Sherman school house of the citizens of Fort township, on Saturday, the 24 of February, 1923, for the purpose of nominating candidates for township officers. All are invited to attend without regard to party lines.

O. M. Carter writes us from Coalgate, N. M., dated the 2nd inst., that the justice of the peace, at that place, shot and killed a Texas man in the name of Huce Brown, and that justice of the peace was acquitted by the coroner's jury?

On the first page of this paper will be found an interesting article on pensions which was compiled from the instructions and rulings in the hands of Major Shanklin, the special agent in charge of the department, whose postoffice address is Wichita.

The Anthony Republican has been enlarged and greatly improved. Mr. A. S. Lindsay is rapidly demonstrating a fine sense for newspaper work. No interest in his town or county but what he properly notes and defends if necessary.

The board of directors of the Wichita street railway corporation held a meeting last week, at which Col. Hartwell, of Topeka, was present. We are informed that the stock is practically all taken, and that work will be commenced within the limit prescribed by the ordinance granting the franchise.

A gentleman of capital and experience and who is at present engaged in successful manufacturing in Connecticut, is in correspondence with W. C. Woodman relative to locating in Wichita. Mr. Woodman says it looks as though his correspondent had fully determined on coming to this point.

The cattle men holding ranches in the Indian Territory find themselves in a peck of trouble owing to a late order from the Secretary of the Interior to vacate. It is very evident that some understanding must be had soon between government, the Indians and the cattle men.

Miss Montgomery's children's fancy dress party comes off this week at the opera house. Many of the costumes are described as brilliant and beautiful. It will be a real butter fly party, as costume is in vogue. Little children, and will be witnessed by a large number of ladies and gentlemen. Miss Montgomery is a real genius in her role.

We would advise all our readers who are making a "Vegetable or Power garden this spring to send to D. M. Ferry & Co., Detroit, Michigan, and get their valuable and beautiful Seed Annual. The value is entirely reliable, and if you wish to get exactly what you order you cannot do better than entrust your orders to them.

The weather bugged over very close Monday morning last, at daylight at this point. The week before had been cold enough to make ice about three inches thick, but Saturday softened down and Sunday morning came in with a dense mist. The weather bureau at Washington in its predictions for this section never hit within a mile of the mark.

The concert given at the Presbyterian Church last Friday night, by the Wilberforce University troupe or company of colored people, proved a very satisfactory affair. It seemed unfortunate that the concert came on the same night of the Old Fellows entertainment at the opera house, but for which the concert would have proved much more remunerative.

Ex-Gov. Will Campbell, of Indiana, will on Thursday, January 18th, deliver his famous lecture, "The Invisible Some People," at the M. E. church, which lecture will be part of the course and take the place of the one Senator Ingalls was to have delivered. Gov. Campbell's lecture needs no puffing as it has a national reputation. The church will be crowded.

J. J. Shelton has severed his connection with the Times as local editor, and Mr. Fred A. Sowers, well known to every reader of this paper, succeeds him. While both of these men differ widely in their modes of writing, both possess peculiar excellencies. We are not aware of Mr. Shelton's former work, but Mr. Sowers, with his trained experience as a writer, will keep up the reputation of the paper for local aptness.

THE EAGLE

The officers and the records, papers and books have become so crowded at the county building that the commissioners last week decided it necessary to provide new quarters for the probate judge. They found a room in the McPherson block, nearly opposite the county building. The commissioners have also rented the hall in that same block for district court purposes, together with a jury room. The new court room is quite pleasant as it will be convenient. The county clerk, his deputy, the commissioners, and the county treasurer and his deputy are all practically crowded into one room, and the confusion that reigns there, especially at tax-paying time, is no doubt appreciated by those who have been there to transact business during the past two weeks. The law does not contemplate that the clerk's and treasurer's offices shall be together. The way in which matters are crowded up are not only an inconvenience to the people, but so much confusion is liable to lead to mistakes. The clerk of the district court is in an adjoining room and the sheriff's office consists of a little dark hole back of the treasurer's vault. The register of deeds' office is down cellar where, also, the probate court has been located.

A year or two since the EAGLE urged the idea of putting up a building completely surrounding the present county building and then putting the entire structure under one roof. The addition would have been built uniform with the present structure and all finished off alike with a hip or gable roof and cupola for twelve or fifteen thousand dollars, and Sedgewick county would have had all the necessary offices, court room, jury room, etc., which she would need for twenty-five years to come and at the same time not only save several hundred dollars rental each year, but cut off all schemes of a high-toned and expensive courthouse. It would prove an economical move to do just that way.

THE OLD FELLOWS' OBIT.

The ordinary installation of the officers of secret societies are a little monotonous to the uninitiated public, a fact seemingly appreciated by the order. Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of this city, who have determined upon a public installation, hired the Opera House and announced a free musical and dramatic entertainment. The scheme was successful beyond estimate so far as the crowd was concerned. Every seat was taken two days before the promised entertainment. The music was rendered by Mrs. Chas. Hutton pianist, and the young ladies brass band, another unique affair, four of the ladies being manned by young ladies under sixteen and led by Claude Neff. Following the installation was a recited reading by Miss Laura Woodcock, another young lady who surprised her friends by her noteworthy excellence in manner and conception. But the principal entertainment of the evening, and one which captivated many and delighted all, was a amateur comedy entitled "The Coming Woman—or 1896," being an exposition of the ridiculous side of woman's rights as sized up to the popular prejudice. And as given it was too funny ridiculous for any use. The dramatic presentation seemed uniquely fitted to the individuals who undertook their rendition. Mrs. Dr. Furley, as the old maid, was splendid; and Johnny Allen, as the hen-pecked husband, was too utterly convincing for anything. Mrs. J. T. McMillan, as Mrs. Badger the voter, and Mrs. W. F. Stem, as "Victrola," and Mrs. Eggleston, as "The Judge," conceived and acted their parts in a way that brought down the house. "Cap" Hutton, of course, kept things lively in his role. But we have no room for more.

The installation ceremonies were conducted by W. F. Stem, Deputy Grand Master, assisted by Col. L. S. Woodcock, G. F. Richard Cogdell, G. V. G. A. T. McMillan, G. T. C. A. Van Ness, G. M. J. and Gov. A. A. Gilman, as Grand Inside Guardian. The following officers were installed:

E. B. Jewett, N. G.
Julius Junkerman, V. G.
Chris. Kimmert, Treasurer.
Lewis Asper, Conductor.
Robt. McFarland, Warden.
George Fryer, Recording Secretary.
E. H. Nudd, Permanent Secretary.
Harry Maxwell, R. S. S.
Sid Neff, L. S. S.
W. F. Stem, R. S. to M. G.
S. H. Scott, L. S. to N. G.
Ed. Grady, R. S. to G. G.
Charles Hutton, L. S. to V. G.
C. A. Carson, O. G.
Wm. Skinner I. G.

THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

John M. Steele took his place on the board on Monday as commissioner for the Wichita district. He felt like backing out at the last moment, but that he felt any reluctance in serving the people, but he felt the duties of the place conflicting seriously at times with his business; taking, often, just the days which he can most ill afford to lose. But he has been elected our Sovereign Ruler and so unhesitatingly took hold of the work heartily.

In reorganizing the board, G. W. Stearns was elected chairman, and the place of the county engineer, who was elected a dissent from any quarter, after it had been tendered to Capt. Walker, who declined.

Before the old board dissolved complimentary resolutions were passed by the retiring commissioners, were made a matter of record.

The road crossing the river three miles directly south of Topeka, through the place of Mr. Kinkaid and Mr. Block, was opened up.

The new books of permanent records and plat of the city, towns and the county, provided by and executed by The City Engineer, the city engineer of Wichita, and made on contract, the work being done on old plat paper and bound in books three by four feet square, were received and will be accepted as soon as compared and verified. It is a splendid job of work reflecting great credit on Mr. Bailey as a draughtsman and civil engineer.

The board after closing up the business for the past year, adjourned.

ROBERTSON SUGAR FACTORY.

A well-known banker of this State writes us that a company is partially organized for the purpose of building a sugar cane factory in Wichita. He writes that the matter is not definite enough yet to warrant the use of names, but that it looks very promising. We can only say that no better point in the State can be found. We don't know what or how much there is in it, but the sugar interest seems to be attracting no little attention, especially in the West. There is more certain than that the successful cultivation of sugar cane would settle the future of all that portion of Kansas lying south of the 37th parallel. All the varieties of the Chinese cane grow to perfection in Western Kansas without reference to the rainfall or want of humidity of any season, and we could sugar the world and export the food of all humanity if the question of successful and complete granulation is inexpensively solved. Sugar, molasses and the other cane products are so indispensable to the great plains so luxuriantly do they grow, and we hope there is something in all the talk of late.

A CREAMERY.

There is a proposition before the Board of Trade looking to the establishment of a "Creamery" at this point. We confess to a general ignorance regarding the importance of such an enterprise, especially to a city the size of Wichita, but we are assured by a number that it is one that is to be suddenly proved a very enterprising affair. It is seemed unfortunate that the concert came on the same night of the Old Fellows entertainment at the opera house, but for which the concert would have proved much more remunerative.

The City Directory will be ready for delivery this week. Messrs. Glass & Cox are conscientious, upright business men, and have taken great pains to have their work correct and reliable. They come here with the strongest possible recommendations and after a daily intercourse with them covering several weeks, in which they have been at work in our city, we most cheerfully and enthusiastically recommend them. The new directory will be very convenient for every business man. It is the most correct and complete as yet issued for the city.

IT IS THE LAW

President Arthur approved the act establishing a U. S. Court at Wichita, on Monday afternoon.

CITY MARKETS.

Wheat \$1.00
Oats \$0.75
Rye \$0.85
Corn \$0.60
Hay per T \$1.00
Hops \$0.50
Butcher's Cattle \$0.85

TO WICHITA AND PATTER TOWNSHIP.

There seems to be a misapprehension as to the tax on railroads and its application where townships have voted to subscribe stock. The law is a special one and we quote it to show that the township which vote bonds for stock get the entire benefit of the taxation. Read:

Danah's Statutes, page 791, chapter 84, paragraph 61, section 7:

"All the county, township and city taxes levied upon the property of, and collected from any company to which aid shall be extended, under the provisions of this act, within such county, township or city, shall be set apart for, and applied exclusively to the payment of the bonds and coupons issued by such county, township or city in aid of such railroad company with the same shall be fully paid."

Some two years ago, it will be remembered, John Fisher, of this city, while herding his cattle in the Harbor hills, had his leg broken below the knee by his pony slipping, and falling on him. No medical aid being in reach, the broken limb was imperfectly set, one bone left projecting over the other, it was thought, because he never recovered from a soreness and lameness. Last Friday he had Dr. Crookley, of this city, open up the limb, when a piece of detached bone an inch long, and a quarter of an inch wide, was found and taken out.

Capt. Murry Myers is down in Suckerdorn doing as well as could be expected, but things are weather in that region seem not quite up to the mark. In a note to us ordering his EAGLE forwarded, he says:

"Am in Chicago now, but will go to Wichita, Ill., in a few days. It is from up here. Chicago's holiday attire was immense. 'Mrs. Langtry' is all the rage here, but can't reach Jesse's 'Pork and Beans' charge. 'Tom Fitt' and 'Ham's' last circus act. A fellow soon gets home sick for old Sedgewick county—will be back in about a month, and sooner if Illinois mud shows up bad. Money is getting closer through this country, and times are not as good as in Old Kansas."

WOL-GROWERS' MEETING.

There will be a meeting of the Arkansas Valley Wool Growers Association in Wichita, on Saturday, January 13th, 1923, at 2 o'clock p. m. A full attendance is desired as business of importance will come before the meeting. W. M. C. LITTLE, Secretary.

A Washington correspondent of the Topeka Capital says:

"Hon. M. M. Murdoch (in his tour across the continent) and his charming daughter, Miss Kate, spent a pleasant week here, viewing places of interest. They left for Virginia, and from thence they will return to Kansas."

Yes, twice across the continent in forty days, but we have a United States Court all the same.

COMPLIMENTARY.

The following resolutions were adopted by a unanimous vote at the M. E. Sabbath school in this city, January 7th, 1923:

WHEREAS, W. E. Stanley has voluntarily retired from the office of Superintendent in this school, after nearly ten years of service, we think it proper to take some formal notice of his retirement. Therefore,

Resolved, That we make acknowledgment to Bro. Stanley of our indebtedness to him for his services, faithful and successful, in serving the people, and his family an affectionate husband.

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of the association and published in the city papers, and that the family be furnished with a copy.

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